Original

Ordered therefore that the Clk of the Council goe downe Journal to the house & acquaint them that a second Conference is required in relacon to the Indians who accordingly came vp.

The following report of the said Comittee being preented

to the whole assembly was by ordr read vizt

June the 1st 1697.

At a Comittee by appoyntm of the Govern Council & house of Burgesses composed of the Council & Burgesses for the Considering the Indians affair & makeing proposalls what may be most proper measures to be taken for quieting their fears and securing the province &c.

> present of the Council Coll John Addison Coll John Courts Thomas Brooke Esq. \

Burgesses.

Mr Wm Hatton) Maj^r Smalwood) Mr Wm Hutchinson | Mr Hawkins Majr Barton | Mr Hoskins Maj^r Barton Coll Beale Mr Dent

Coll Addison chosen Chairman of the Comittee

Chr. Gregory Clk.

Resolved first to proceed on the affaires relating to the piscattoway & Accokick Indians &c. And therevpon was read the Report of Majr Wm Barton to the Govern and Council vpon what passed between him & the said Indians vpon his being sent to them & their answers to him and vpon their first answer relateing to the reasons of their deserting their ffort Vizt

This Comittee say that vpon pervsall & Examinacon thereof they perceive the Indians built their faith voon bare report that Coll Addison & others should say such things of them but whether true or noe they had noe certaine grounds for they never went to the Governmt to enquire but on the p. 22 Contrary The Comittee find the English had some Reasons even from their owne mouths to suspect them for that murder & for which they ought either to acquit themselves or make some satisfaccon And therefore it may be proposed to them that if they will discover the murderers if they know them he or they shall be freely pardoned & him & them all recd into the same articles of peace that were last made with them